Post-Listening Idiomatic Expressions Activity

All Levels

"Til Further Notice" Seth Glier



Idiom Activity 1

Ask students the following questions while showing them the picture of the candle:

- 1. What is this picture of?
- 2. Where is the wick of the candle?
- 3. What do you think of when you look at a candle?
- 4. What do you think the song lyric "keeping the wick of hope lit" means?

Ask students to each draw their own candle. Then, ask students to write a sentence about a hope or wish they have.



Alternatively, students could answer these questions in pairs or small groups.

Answer key:

- 1. This is a candle
- 2. The wick is at the top of the candle
- 3. The candle symbolizes hope (this is open to interpretation, answers may vary)
- 4. Answers may vary

Idiom Activity 2



Ask students to match the phrases from the song 'Til Further Notice by Seth Glier with their meaning.

Answer Key:

- 1. D
- 2. C
- 3. B
- 4. A



Idiom Activity 3



Tell students to "look at the lyrics of the song 'Til Further Notice by Seth Glier, and discuss in small groups what you think these phrases mean. Then, take notes on your group's answers so you can share them with the class."

Answer key:

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Each of these activities could be replicated online with little variation. To put students into groups, use the breakout room feature.

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Match the idiom with its definition.				
1	"Keeping the wick of hope lit"			
2	"News hit way too close to home"			
3	"Love is in good supply"			
4	"Searching for sanity"			

- a. There is enough love for everyone
- b. Looking for a way for life to get better
- c. Something bad happened to someone you know or are close to
- d. Being optimistic that a situation will get better



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